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Dear Dr Gee,

Thank you for asking my opinion concerning your letter of the 14th August 2006 and containing the statements of Vivienne Hodgson. First let me say that I have wrestled with the information contained in the statements and unless this child was considerably experienced in sexual matters, I find her descriptions of events that happened both fanciful and incredible.

Firstly with regards to events happening in a small classroom wherein there were other members of her class and who could not but have witnessed the events described. In a small community I could not believe, based on my own experience of living in a small community, that such events would not have been the subject of comment amongst all the families involved with children at the school and that there would not have been some sort of outcry.

Secondly in those issues where she describes the act of sexual assault, it is not plausible that any immature eight or nine year old could have accepted an erect penis into her vagina without severe pain and distress and complaint.

Thirdly to suggest that a penis wrapped in a dry handkerchief was inserted into her vagina is even more implausible as this would have been a most traumatic experience, even if she was self lubricated, since the handkerchief would quickly rough up and become irregular in outline during penetration.

Fourthly I cannot possibly offer an explanation as to why these complaints have been made and wonder whether the complainant has projected her later sexual experiences onto Mr D'Arcy, or fanaticised these experiences on somebody on whom she may have had a childhood crush?

Finally I can't imagine parents would not be aware of unusual events happening to her underwear without comment.

My approach to this matter is based on my forty years experience as a gynaecologist and my prior experience as a country General Practitioner; the experience of being father and grandfather to a nuclear family that now numbers twenty-one which includes five grand-daughters. My background knowledge tells me that this story relayed in Ms Hodgson's statement beggars belief.

Yours sincerely,

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